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TO : Acting Director of Training

DATE: 13 August 1959

FROM : Chief, Plans and Policy Staff

SUBJECT: Weekly Activity Report #31

1. Language and Area School

(a) [] is working with [] on the Language Development Program. Their findings and recommendations probably will be submitted separately. It is likely that [] paper will be the most complete and meaningful.

(b) PPS is studying the general subject of area training within OTR but as yet has reached no firm conclusions. An immediate need is to obtain some "customer reaction," and to that end [] will contact DD/I officers and [] has arranged an initial meeting with three senior FE officers representing nearly all of the Far East area and much of South Asia in personal area experience or area ops responsibility. [] also will obtain some EE-area views.

(c) [] were given a short but quite comprehensive briefing on 5 August on the Language and Area School by Mr. [] and members of his staff.

2. A&E Staff

(a) PPS has met almost daily with [] and members of his staff during the past two weeks on the A&E reorganization plan. C/A&E will report our joint conclusions and recommendations in detail.

(b) [] gave a one-hour talk on the [] to A&E Staff members on 5 August.

3. Visit to []

[] visited [] on 6-7 August on the occasion of the JOT (OC #8) "graduation exercise." [] asked that Col. [] visit [] at his earliest convenience to assist [] emergency planning.

This will be done within the next 10 days

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4. JOTP/Orientation Courses

Draft course schedules and syllabuses have been received covering the period 14 September - 18 December 1959. A meeting is scheduled for 0930, 13 August, with JOTP, PPS, and School and/or course chiefs to review and amend the draft, to standardize its presentation, and assign responsibilities for further action.

5. Employee Suggestion Film

A special showing of the employee suggestion film, The Power of Suggestion, was held 5 August for supervisory personnel of OTR.

6. JOT Recruitment

On 11 August at an informal luncheon Messrs. [] and [], Chief of Personnel Procurement Division, and his Deputy, [] about JOT recruitment.^{25X1} A number of ideas were explored, including the use of consultants, various sources of candidates, earlier contacts with candidates still in school, etc. Several useful ideas and agreements emerged from this meeting. It was apparent that only a few of our present consultants are really producing. Of the 34 on the list, only 4 were deemed to be really effective. Only 8 in the last JOT class came to us through consultants. Mr. [] suggested that the current consultant list be cut drastically; action on this will await DTR's views. There was general consensus that CIA "alumni," particularly JOT "alumni" who are now on college faculties, would be far more effective than consultants who are chosen without regard to their knowledge of CIA or interest in its activities. Mr. [] agreed to develop a list of such "alumni" to be reviewed with OTR so that a decision can be made on their possible use. [] is perfectly willing to talk with JOT candidates in their next-to-last year of schooling. He does, of course, have a limited recruitment staff, but Gordon Stewart has indicated that he will listen to any plea for additional recruiters that is based on demonstrated need; hence, this limitation is not controlling. [] will also give more attention to possible sources of candidates in the military services--young men about to complete their active tours.

7. Visit to the Army Security Agency

A separate report is being prepared covering Mr. []^{25X1} visit to the Army Security Agency suggesting some possible applications of their equipment to CIA operations.

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8. War and Emergency Plans

War and emergency plans are being received from the School and Staff Chiefs.

9. ELINT Course

Previews of the ELINT instruction are continuing and will be covered in a separate report from Mr. 25X1

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